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BURROWS AND FILIBUSTERING.

The Hon. Julius Cresar Burrows, while rejoicing in the "great victory" of the Republican party in the new Northwestern States, points out that there will be a very narrow Republican majority in the next House, and that the Democrats will nearly always be able to block partisan legislation by refusing to vote, and thus leaving the House without a quorum. Consequently, Mr. Burrows thinks, the Republicans will need a Speaker who knows the whole business, and a convenient friend is ready to suggest, what the modesty of Mr. Burrows prevents him from stating, that he is exactly the man needed.

This sounds a good deal like two words for Mr. Burrows and one for the Republican party. Nevertheless, supposing that statesman to be all that the fancy of his friend paints him, it is worth while to suggest two things which may be of more value against Democratic attempts to break a quorum than even the Wolverine statesman as a heroic dose. The first is that if all the Republicans are on hand attending to their duty the Democrats cannot break the quorum. If it is impractical to expect that all the Republican members will do what they are elected for, another protection against Democratic filibustering is attainable. That is to attempt no legislation except what is so fair and unquestion able as to leave the Democrats no excuse for resorting to obstructive measures. If that is done the Democrats will be forced to bear the responsibility of any failure of business resulting from partisan disputes.

In short, if the narrow margin between the two parties in the House puts both of them on their good behavior, the public will be well served and the party that behaves itself the best will be so much the better off in the end.

NO BOOM NEEDED.

Prices on the leading iron and steel staples continue to move steadily upward. With Bessemer pig at \$20@22, steel rails advanced, till this week's quotations are at \$32@33, billets at \$35, coke at \$1 50, and a general improvement of that sort all along the line, the sanguine will soon begin to scent a boom. One of the old-fashioned bulges in the market would only entail a reaction; and it is to be hoped that nothing of the sort is in store for us. The best reason for that hope lies in the large increase of productive capacity that is certain to be brought into the market with every dellar's advance above the present prices. Let us look for an active demand at good prices; but it will be better to have it understo that there is to be no boom with its succee ing shrinkage, if Pittsburg can prevent it.

MILK AND DIPLOMACY.

In a recent report United States Consul Diller, of Florence, Italy, displayed a singular conception of his duties by giving at some length a description of the highly profitable milk route worked up by an eminent Chicagoan resident in Florence, one Le Roy De Koven. Why Mr. Diller deemed it worthy to tell how Mr. De Koven had filled a long-felt want by supplying pure fresh milk and butter daily to his patrons in Florence, how he delivered the articles twice a day if desired, and made a special feature of providing milk warm from the cow, nobody seemed to know when first this brilliant contribution to consulary literature was published. The secret has come to light, however? The milkman with the aristocratic name is now an applicant at the State Department for Consul Diller's

place. Le Roy De Koven wants to supply Florence with American diplomacy as well as milk. In this laudable ambition he has evidently been aided and abetted by Consul Diller. We presume the latter is a Democrat, and of course he knew that he would have to give up his office to some one. Why not to butter and his milk are of the best, his name suggests the peerage of France, rather than the packing houses of Chicago, and perhance if I give his milk route a goodsized puff in my next consular report, who knows but he may grant me a rebate on my milk bills? Whether any exact agreement was made between Diller and De Koven as to how many quarts of milk and pounds of butter were to be exchanged for the advertisement in the public documents of the State Department will never be known. But we can see that the milkman struck a good bargain with the diplomatist. The United States will be equally fortunate when Diller is bounced, and the suit of the Chicago milkman is de-

WILL CABLE RATES COME DOWN!

The report that one of the cable lines to the East End will, by the close of the year, reduce fares to the five cent basis clear through to East Liberty is made public in a way that lends it a good deal of credence It it should be corroborated by an actual reduction at the close of the year, it would afford a strong evidence both of the success of the cable system and of the competition forces which bring prices down to hard pan Which will include novels by H. Rider Hagfigures.

Five cents for a ride to East Liberty sounds very cheap; and, in one sense, it 18 so. But the experience with cable roads warrants the belief that such a rate can be made a paying one. In the first place it would create an immense expansion of business; and the nature of the traction business is such that when it is once in operation every additional passenger is very nearly clear profit. Beyond that the fact that the net earnings are already such as to pay dividends on stock totals considerably in excess of actual investment, leaves little room for doubt that a five cent rate will yield good returns in actual cash cost. Doubtless, in order to earn full dividends

on watered as well as actual cash the traction managers would, if they could, maintain the ten-cent scale. But competition will not let them do so. Rumors of agreements during the past year for maintaining the rate have seemed to be well founded. But if there were such agreements, the verification of this last report shows that the force of competition is not so easily overcome. The rate was forced down to a moderate margin by a force as certain as that which makes water run down hill, unless it is dammed up-the competition of the steam railroad with the traction roads, as well as that of each with the other.

A cable rate of five cents to East Liberty would only need a three-cent rate to Lawrenceville or Oakland to make it the ne plus ultra of convenient and cheap transit.

A CASE OF POT AND KETTLE.

The contemplation of the political field in New York State does not appear to the New York Telegram to offer much satisfaction to the independent thinkers who are in favor of honest politics. It considers the two organizations as presenting the aspect of two political Dromios, one operated by Platt, the same shiftiness and lack of backbone.

It devolved on the Democratic convention to unload the Democratic lights who were smirched by the ceiling job; but that body smothered the protest and put out its ordained slate. The Republican convention was called upon to take an outspoken stand on the temperance issue, but it dodged it, Both parties are after the spoils, and are willing to let principles go the dogs.

Under such circumstances, it is natural that people who think for themselves should be inclined to take to the woods of independence. until a party organization is discovered which puts honesty and principle above the usual political resorts of dodges and whitewash.

ONE UNCONQUERABLE CHARACTER.

Mayor Patrick Gleason, of Long Island City, has made another record. The achievements of that belligerent and yet practical municipal executive in bringing corporations to terms by chopping down their structures which encroach on the public highways are already matters of history. Mr. Gleason has now come into collision with the political set-up, and has knocked it out as promptly as any contumacious corporation. The delegates to the New York Democratic Convention from his district had a State committeeman to elect and some of them planned to leave Mr. Glea son out in the cold by holding a meeting with the door locked, and Glesson on the outside. But that energetic person had not chopped down encroaching railroad gates to be backed by so flimsy an obstruction as a hotel door. With the door kicked in, the meeting was held, and Gleason came out as usual, on top. When neither corporations nor political combines can conquer him. Patrick Gleason may claim to be the one indomitable man of the country.

TIPS.

It is unpleasant to observe on all sides ar enlargement of the practice of giving and taking tips. To the man whose purse is but indifferently lined tipping is a very formidable affliction and danger. Rich men can afford to waste their money in tips as in any thing else, and it is their example that is s demoralizing. They are planting everywhere a desire for tips by indiscriminat largesse in hotels, on trains, and wherever they go.

There is a serious side to this question tipping. In this Republic there should be nothing more precious in a man's eyes than his self-respect. He should be eager to preserve that at almost any cost. A tip he can not take and continue to have self-respect How many men among us must be losing a proper regard for their independence and honor! For tips are demanded in this city at most of the restaurants, in all the hotels and casually in half a dozen different trades and callings. Very likely the men who put out an expectant palm and are pleased to see it crossed with silver or even nickel do not realize what they are selling. They ought to remember that they are in a country where no man is so lowly that he need put himself in the position of a slave. The men who take tips are slaves. The men who give them deserve slaves' service.

THE ROAD QUESTION. Some very telling figures upon the cost of

bad country roads are furnished by Prof. J. W. Jenks. His calculations are based on the condition of country roads in Illinois, where the highways are perhaps a little more carefully worked than in Pennsyl vania, but where the softer and deeper soil makes the roads more impassable in bad weather than is the case with our hilly and The net results of Illinois road-making on

the no-system which prevails there, in most other parts of the Union, is that a full load for a two-horse team can be hauled three months in the year, two-thirds of a. load for three months more and half a load for the other six months. The cost or value of the extra labor in . hauling is over \$15,-000,000 annually. The result stated in anthe trusty milkman? He reasoned, his other form is that Illinois farms at a distance from the railroad are depreciated in value by reason of the impassable roads over \$160. 000,000.

These figures give a fair idea of the money's worth to agricultural sections of a thorough system of road improvement which should extend permanent roads, smooth and hard at all seasons of the year. into every section of agricultural production. Such roads would permit the farmers to market their products and make their purchases at a season of the year when they have time to do so, and would relieve trade and transportation from the attempts to crowd the movement of the crops and the agricultural trade into brief periods of each spring and fall.

Together with this need is the fact that nearly every State has on its hands a considerable quantity of convict labor which with proper provisions could be utilized in this work. The way to commence the con-struction of solid and lasting roadways ought to be evident to all.

IT is regarded as a subject for disappro val by the Philadelphia Bulletin that "there are a good many so-called Republicans in Virginia who are going to do what they can for Democratic success this year;" and the further assertion is made that they are Republicans who "support the party only when some personal advantage is to be had by doing so." The inference as to the entirely disinterested attachment to Republican principles displayed by Mahone and his followers, is amusing; but it will hardly fail to evoke the response that those who did the most for Democratic success in Virginia are those who made Republicanism synonymous with Mahonism in that

THIRTEEN million dollars of a decrease of the public debt in September more than offsets the \$7,000,000 increase in August. But is the decrease like the increase, merely an apparent and misleading result of the Treasury system of bookkeeping?

THE lawyers are now attacking and de fending the constitutionality of the acts of 1887 and 1889, according to the views which they are led to take of the question by their respective retainers. The uncertainty is deepened by the lack of knowledge as to what views the Supreme Court will be led to take of the question. If there is one thing that legal science cannot foretell it is the ruling of the Pennsylvania Supreme

THE three things which the most ener getic search fails to find at the present day are the qualified Cronin juror, the man who will take the Pension Office, and the New York millionaire who will put up for the Exposition fund.

BUFFALO has followed the example of New York and Chicago by obtaining a nandamus for the enforcement of a city ordinance requiring telegraph wires to be nut underground. After all the other cities of the country have for years enjoyed the benefit of streets cleared of the electrical neumbrances, it is to be hoped that Pitts burg will make up its mind to do a little something in the same line.

THE satisfactory appoundement is made that Postmaster General Wanamaker will propose to Congress that it shall mark down postage and make a drive by selling the remaining stock of two-cent letter stamps for a cent.

SAMUEL AYERS sticks to his prophecy hat the world will come to an end next Monday. If Mr. Avers lives to contemplate the wreck of his prediction next Tuesday he will probably devote his attention to figuring out, not that his prediction was mistaken but that the workings of the universal cosmogony have made an error by failing to reach their proper result.

THE report that Montana vigilantes have andertaken to restrain the firebugs only leaves it necessary for Montana to settle who will restrain the vigilantes.

is it not a little monotonous to find the cry of fraud raised in the Montana election, just because the vote is close there? It would seem no more than fair for the fraud shouters to wait till the State gets into the Union before putting in their stereotyped excuse for defeat

Prays which deal with big stock opera tions for their plot, furnish the latest variation of the recently fashionable water-tank

THE sale of coke to the English market would be a variation on the old proverb about carrying coals to Newcastle which Pittsburg would gladly see achieved. But it may be well to wait for the return of sales before banking on a big income from the foreign coke markets.

PEOPLE OF PROMINENCE.

In 1855 James G. Blaine and Melville W Fuller, the present Chief Justice, were report ers on papers in Augusta, Me. SIR JULIAN PAUNCEFORE who is way back to this country, brings with him his wife and daughters. Washington society is prepared to give them a warm welcome.

JUST before Frederick Douglass sailed for his post as Minister to Hayti he was called upon whose great-grandfather owned Douglass and his mother when they were slaves. ROBERT BONNER once paid Tennyson \$5,000 for a poem which made only 20 lines in the New York Ledger. This was at the rate of \$250 a

line, which is a price that would almost seen beyond the value of any written production. ME. HORACE MARSHALL PORTER, son of General Horace Porter, is to be married on Oc tober 22 to Miss Adelaide Wattson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Wattson, of Philadelphia. Mr. Porter is a recent graduate of

For the first time in the history of the Yale Law School an Italian is among the students His name is Sig. Paul Russo, and he has been employed as court interpreter in New Haven for several years. There is also an Indian MISS ROXANNA WENTWORTH, the only child of "Long John" Wentworth, is one of el wealthiest women of Chicago. She was edu-cated at Vassar College. Her father never allowed her to receive attentions from gentle men, and now, at the age of 30, she is still up married, although she is rich enough to sup port a family, having inherited six or sever

MRS. FRANCES HODGSON BURNETT WAS earning a small salary as a school teacher down in Tennessee when she wrote her first stories. story was sent to Peterson's Magazine were made by picking biackberries. Her early stories attracted little attention, and it was not until "That Lass O'Lowrie's" was published that she became known as a popular writer.

THE TOPICAL TALKER.

His Temper Led Him to Dyspepsia-The Society Kiss-Booth and a Lady's Feet -The Dandelion's Complaint.

When some people get angry they cannot eat. Their temper walks away with their appetite. But I heard a case entirely different the other day.

He was a man in the prime of life—about 35 probably. With many good things of this life was he blessed. Even a good wife had been vouchsafed him. But he lacked one important

thing-a good temper. His blood was not and

his spirit flery. One evening he came home to supper with anger in his heart. He had been nicely trimmed in a commercial speculation. At the gate of his own garden his own dog for some unknown reason flew at him and bit a small square out of his trousers. That was irritating you'll allow. Everything went wrong. His father-in-law, a much greater nuisance than the most meddlesome mother-in-law ever known, waged war upon him after supper. By 10 o'clock he was in a supremely lively temper. After the family had gone to bed he went into the kitchen and literally gorged himself with some strong cheese and crackers, and pickles His anger had multiplied his appetite.

The next day he had the most awful attack of dyspepsia imaginable. He has the diseas still. But his temper is better.

THE SOCIETY KISS. O everyone knows what bliss in a kiss is, That's given and taken with plenty of love; It's one thing at least that never amiss is That no one's below, and no one's above.

But save us, good Jupiter, save us from kisses Society ladies exchange when they meet: For clammiest, coidest of courtesies this is— Sans sympathy, sugar and served without heat

Motion one-Purse the lips just ever so little: Then dab your opponent—as if lips were brittle, And using them roughly would cause them to

Retire in good order, composing your features To look like a statue or death mask of wax— There! you have all the rules by which the day Reduce to a science their kissing attacks.

ONE young lady in this county is likely to remember for a good while the extraordinary effect Mr. Booth's triumphant acting as Riche lieu had upon her. She is tall and appreciated every inch of

room she could get in her parquet seat at the Grand Opera House on Wednesday night. When Mr. Booth began his superb tour de force, with which the fourth act of "Riche lien" closes, this young lady gradually pushed out her feet. It was an involuntary act of sympathy. As the excitement of the situation grew those two little feet found their way clear through the holes which Manager Witt has placed for his patrons' feet to rest in under each seat. When the curtain went down this young lady discovered for the first time where her feet had gone. It took cautious maneuver ing to extricate them.

"I THINK it's a horrid shame," said a dande lion to a plantain, in the new lawn at the Se wickley railroad station, "that they make that sign over our heads read, 'Keep Off the Grass.' They don't warn the public to keep off us; and if we don't outnumber the grass a thousand to one I'll go to seed at once." The plantain merely murmured: "Well, I should smile."

REMEMBERED IN THE WILL.

Creditors Who Waited Long Will at Last be Fully Paid.

DETROIT, October 4.-D. M. Richardson, the match manufacturer, failed in 1877, and Francis Adams, an indorser, lost \$25,000 by the failure. Mrs. Mary Crary was also a sufferer to the Mrs. Mary Crary was also a suiterer to the extent of \$5,000, and the estate of E. S. Gulley dropped several hundred dollars in the crash. To Mr. Adams Richardson transferred a life insurance policy for \$15,000, on which the assignee has since been paying the premiums. The other creditors were not in any way provided for, and the claims were about forgotten, as they had been outlawed.

about forgotten, as they had been outlawed. Richardson resumed business in 1880, and accumulated a fortune. He died last week leaving an estate valued at fully \$1,000,000. His will was filed for probate to-day. It provides among other things that Francis Adams shall be paid the full amount of his claim, less 8350. After these claims are paid the property is to go to the deceased's family, the widow to have one-third and the only sen, a lad of 18, the

SHE DOESN'T GET THE MONEY. Miss Judge Brenks an Engagement and Loses Cash Thereby. ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.1

Bosron, October 4 .- A novel suit in relation to life insurance money was begun in the Su-preme Court to-day. Some time since John J. McCarthy, whose death recently occurred, became a member of the Assessment Insurance Company, the New England Order of Protection, and had his certificate made payable to his fiance, Miss Sarab J. Judge. Afterward to his fiance, Miss Sarah J. Judge. Afterward his engagement with Miss Judge was broken, and subsequent to that McCarthy, who was taken suddenly sick, made a will, in which he provided that his benefit in the order named be paid to his parents. The order, however, was not notified of McCarthy's wish previous to the latter's death. The order was, therefore, about to pay the money to Miss

In the Supreme Court this morning full payment was restrained by an injunction issued by Judge Devens, upon the application of Lawyer McGeough, who appeared as counsel for Mr. and Mrs. McCarthy to claim the fund on the ground that the deceased had changed his beneficiary, and that the insurance company cannot legally pay the money to Miss Judge, because she is neither a relative nor a dependent of the deceased. In the Supreme Court this morning full pay-

FIVE-SCORE AND TEN.

The Oldest Resident of Lawrence, Mass Passes Away. * PRECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.1

LAWRENCE, MASS., October 4.-Mrs, Catherine Donovan died to-day at the ripe old age of 110 years. She was born in Ireland in 1779, in the town of Tercastle, Kilkenny. She came to thi cown or Aercastie, Kilkenny. She came to this city when there was but one house in it, and built a little shanty, which she maintained as a boarding house for the men who were helping to make the foundations for a town.

Up to the time of her death she kept all her faculties, and never wore glasses, her sight being perfect.

To the Editor of The Dispatch. 7

The article in your valuable paper of Octobe 4 has some statements that are not correct. In the first place, the borough valuation is not half to two thirds its worth, and the assessment for all purposes, including county and State, is not over 16 mills on the valuation. and State, is not over 10 mills on the valuation. Second. The water bonds, on which S per cent is paid, is \$50,000. These are redeemable in 1892, and could be floated to-day at 4 per cent. The Water Commissioners certainly deserve credit for giving citizens a full supply of perfectly pure water at a comparatively small expense.

A CONSTANT READER.

rom the Chicago News.1 Sir Edwin Arnold is lecturing on Brahman

philosophy in Boston. It was generally sup-posed that Boston already knew more about DEATHS OF A DAY.

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MANCHESTER, N. H., October 4.—General Asa
P. Blunt died here this morning, aged 62. He was
born in Danville, Vt., served through the Rebellion as Adjutant Third Vermont Volunteers,
and has been almost continuously in the United
States military services since, receiving various
promotions for meritorious services and filing
many positions of responsibility and honor. From
1877 to 1883 he was in charge of the military station
at Fort Leavenworth and was Department Quartermaster at Boston at the time of his death. He
received his commission as Major General United
States army last Saturday. Miss Ruth M. Wells.

FT. WAYNE, IND., October 4.-Miss Ruth M. Weils, for 50 years a resident of thiscity, died yesterday, aged 22. She bequeathed her residence property, consisting of half a block in the heart of the city, worth 25,000 to the city, provided an asylum for the blind be crected thereon. Her mother was for years afficied with blindness. Her only relative is a nephew, Herman Wells, in St. Louis.

MIDDLETOWN, CONN., October 4.—John Lybn Smith, the last of the 21 original trustees of Wes-leyan University, died to-day, aged 35. He was born in Edinburgh, and came to America at an early age,

AT ASCENSION CHURCH.

A Fashionable Ten Will be Given This

Afternoon. The fashionable tea given by a few of the adies of the Ascension Church, East End, this afternoon will be one of the most enjoyable affairs of the autumn. The residence of Mrs. Neilson Clark, on Fifth avenue, near Aiken street, will be the scene of gayety, and the plan is to conduct it as a private reception.

The only difference is the guests are expected to deposit \$1 apiece for tickets. The names of the following ladies who will receive are sufficient to guarantee a social success:

Mrs. Neilson Clark, Mrs. Joseph Dilworth, Jr., Mrs. Alex. Guthrie, Mrs. James McCrea, Miss Guthrie, Miss Neilie Wood, Miss Louise Speer, Miss Montgomery assisted by Mrs. Grange, Miss Ricketson. Miss Irwin. Miss Goldship and the Misses May and Antonette Montgomery.

The tables will be presided over by Mrs. Henry King, Mrs. Alex. Guthrie, Mrs. McCres. Mrs. Joseph Dilworth and Miss Speer.

The object of this is to raise money for the benefit of the church. Everyone is invited to attend. The supper, at which a specialty will be made of chocolate and coffee ice, will be under the direction of Kuhn. The hours are from 3 to 7.

In a Social Way.

THE reception held at the home of Mrs. Woods, on Walnut street, East End, yesterday, was a very pleasant one. The house was beau-tifully decorated with out flowers, and about 75 ladies paid honor to the charming hostess. The repast was served by Kuhn. REV. W. H. PEARCE, D. D., and his good

their wives, Thursday night at the parsonage on Fortieth street. MRS. JENNESS MILLER WIll deliver he lecture on "Dress Reform" at City Hall, Market street, on the afternoon of October 15. MRS. JOHN DALZELL will receive a large number of her friends next Tuesday at her ome in Hawkins.

wife entertained the members of the Official Board of the Butler Street M. E. Church, with

TRIALS OF THE EXAMINERS.

Civil Service Officials Driven Almost to the Verge of Insanity.

There are men in Washington who reach th There are men in wasanington who reach the borderland of insanity every three months. They are the examiners of the Civil Service Commission. By nightfall of a day on which an examination takes place you could not get one of them to swear to his own sanity. The last examination was probably the most trying since the com-mission was established, as there were over 300 applicants in the various rooms. Although everything is printed as plain as a signboard the examiners are harried by foolish questions at every turn. They first announce as they prepare to pronounce the words in spelling:
"I shall give the word and then its definition
You are to write the word, but not the defini

They say this three times, the last time with icy distinctness.
"Did you say to write the definition and not the word?" comes from the corner of the room in a man's voice, as the second word is pro-

nounced.

The words "cymbal" and "symbol" are pronounced with their respective definitions.

"Shall we write 'symbol,' the sign, or the musical instrument first?" again in a man's voice.

This sort of thing keeps up until the examiner, maddened, refuses to answer any further

questions.

More trouble arises from the necessary red More trouble arises from the necessary red tape, however, than from anything else. The numbers are given to each applicant—one, the application number, the other, the examination number. One middle-aged man at the last examination insisted on writing his application number right in the face of the warning which said: "This space for examination number." When his attention was called to it he replied in an injured tone:

"I've had that number in my mind for two weeks day and night, and if I didn't put it down there I'd just as like as not forget it.

One of the applicants was asked how he passed,
"First rate." said he, "there was a nice, smart

"First rate," said he, "there was a nice, smart

"First rate," said he, "there was a nice, smart girl right next to me who passed me all her papers. There was only one thing I couldn't do, and that was the decimals. I never heard of decimals before."

Equally intelligent was the remark of a woman who took the examination:
"I couldn't do that example in interest," said she, "that one that read "write in words 5 yrs. 6 mos. 2 wks. 5 hrs.' I never could understand interest."

A WONDERFUL SPEED. The Great Rate Attained by the New

Cruiser Baltimore. WASHINGTON, October 4.-The report of the trial board on the cruiser Baltimore relative to her recent trial run was received at the Navy Department this morning. The board state that the average horse power developed by the engines was 8,977.88, the requirement being 9,000, thus making a deficiency of 22.12, which 9,000, thus making a deficiency of 22.12, which would incur a penalty of \$2,212. The screw made an average of 117.9 revolutious a minute, which, allowing 10 per cent slip, would give her an average speed of 19.6 knots an hour. The report states that during the run two of the indicators, which had been thoroughly tested before the trial, broke, and it was necessary to substitute two others which had not been tested. On the record of these indicators depended the record of the development of horse power.

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Secretary Tracy, after reading the report this morning, decided to waive the question of acceptance of the vessel until he could hear from the Cramps, the contractors, as to whether or not they were willing to let the last trial stand as the final one, or preferred to have another trial run with the indicators thoroughly tested. His deference in the matter is based on the accident to the indicators. The report shows rils deference in the matter is based of the accident to the indicators. The report shows that the ship made a wonderfulspeed, notwithstanding the failure to develop 9,000 horse power, and the Secretary is inclined to look upon that achievement as eminently satisfactory. The allowance made for slip in calculating the speed is a large one.

Best Paper West of the Mountains. From the Martin's Ferry News. 1 The average circulation of THE PITTSBURG DISPATCH is 30,045, and of the Sunday edition 55,643. It is not to be wondered at that THE DISPATCH forges ahead at this rate, for it is the best newspaper published west of the Alle-gheny Mountains, if not in the entire country. The circulation of THE DISPATCH increase because it is deserving.

Purchasing Plenty of Silver. WASHINGTON, October 4.- During the pres ent week the Treasury Department has purchased, at satisfactory prices, 416,000 ounces of silver for coinage into standard dellars. Of this amount 75,000 ounces is to be delivered at the New Orleans Mint, 40,000 ounces to the Carson City Mint and 301,000 ounces to the Philadelphia Mint.

No One Disputes It. From the Detroit Free Press.1 "There are 40 ways in which I can steal, rob, embezzle and murder and yet keep clear of the law," says a New York lawyer. No one dis-putes that assertion. Indeed, all will be sur-prised that he has not discovered 100 ways.

THERE IS NO DEATH.

There is no death! The stars go down To rise upon some fairer shore, And bright in heaven's jeweled crown

There is no death! The dust we tread To golden grain or mellow fruit Or rainbow-tinted flowers. The granite rocks disorganize

To feed the hungry moss they bear; The forest leaves drink daily life

There is no death! The leaves may fall, The flowers fade and pass away— They only wait through wintry hours The coming of the May.

There is no death! An angel form He bears our best beloved things away, And then we call them "dead." He leaves our hearts all desolate: He plucks our fairest, avectest flowers— Transplanted into bliss they now Adorn immortal bowers.

The birdlike voice, whose joyous tones Sings now her everlasting song

And when He sees a smile too bright

Or heart too pure for taint of vice, He bears it to that world of light, To dwell in Paradisc. Born into that undying life.
They leave us but to come again:
With Joy we welcome them—the sar
Except in sin and pain.

And ever near us, though unseen, The dear, immortal spirits tread For all the boundless universe Is Life—there are no Dead.

GOTHAM'S GRIST OF GOSSIP.

Dynamite in a Tin Pail.

NEW YORK, October 4.—The police have done a little toward unraveling the mystery of the explosion which wrecked the office of J. & P. Scanlan yesterday morning. A regular infernal machine under a thick layer of bread and cheese in a brand new tin pail did the damage. At 7.30 o'clock this morning a workingman found the pail behind the big front door of the Scanlan office. No one present knew anything about the pail, and a superficial examination revealed only a few slices of bread NEW YORK BUREAU SPECIALS. amination revealed only a few slices of bread and cheese. The night watchman, who first and cheese. The light watcuman, who have told his story to-day, upon going home for the day placed the pail well inside of the office, thinking it belonged to one of the day men. The handle of the pail was found to-day, three-quarters imbedded in the wooden celling, directly over the spot where the pail exploded. The pur-pose of the dynamiter in placing the infernal machine behind the door was undoubtedly to blow up P. Scanlan, who usually passes most of the morning on the threshold, gossiping with customers. Mr. Scanian is ready to pay \$500 for the apprehension of the man who left

Robert Gray Out of Jall. Theatrical Manager Robert Grau, who, for the past two months, has been confined in Ludlow Street Jail in contempt for failing to appear in supplementary proceedings on a judgment of \$120, obtained by Minnie Richards, a chorus girl, for salary, was discharged to-day by Judge Daly, of the Court of Common Pleas. Grau claimed that the only way he could pay the judgment was to earn the money.

Two young cigar manufacturers here have just had patented an automatic cigar vending machine. In return for a nickel in the slot, this machine delivers a 5-cent cigar. The metal box which covers the mechanism has a capacity of 100 cigars. The machines will be put on tap at elevated raliway stations.

Singular Clause of a Will.

The heirs and relatives of the late Wright Duryea, the millionaire starch manufacturer, filled the little Surrogate's Court at Jamaica, L. I., this morning. The will, which they had come to see probated, distributed the \$1,500,000 estate of Mr. Duryea pretty impartially among

the members of his immediate family. His sons, Louis and Frank, received in equal parts his interest in the Glen Cove Starch Manufacturing Company, the Glen Cove Machine Com-pany and the Voeburgh Manufacturing Com pany and the vosourgh Manufacturing Com-pany. The most curious feature of the will is this parsgraph: "That the monument over my grave shall to a degree or in one sense indicate my life. I direct my executors to procure a large bowlder stone, of not less than 4,000 pounds in weight, in all respects as nature shall have formed it, its surface being irregular and with andden alayations and depressions among with sudden elevations and depressions, smooth only to a moderate degree, upon which bowlder stone shall be inscribed, in legible letters of reasonable size, my name, age, and date of death and cause; this bowlder stone to be placed over or at the head of my grave, as soon after my death as is reasonably prac-ticable, upon a substantial foundation of brick or stone masonry, extending it to a depth of at least eight feet below the surface of the round, which bowlder stone and inscrip thereon shall be the only monument erected to my memory," The will covers 20 pages of

They Had the Same Wite.

The United States Consular Agent at one of the Guaterralan towns is named Simmonds, and he has lately come to New York on personal business. To-day he went into Boyle's barber shop, in Union Square, to be shaved. Mr. Boyle's in Union Square, to be shaved. Mr. Boyle's taciturnity is not his best hold, and so he was chattering away to his helpless customer when the conversation drifted around to geographi-cal subjects, and finally Mr. Simmonds said he lived in Guatemala. "Oh, do you?" said Mr. Boyls. "I have acquaintances there myself." "Indeed?" said the Consul; "who are they?" "A fine family, sir," returned the Consul, with some emphasis. "I married one of the ——s, sir." one, sir?" "It was Miss Emma whom I mar-ried." "Well, well," said the barber, "just to think of that! Why, so did I." "What?" said the Consul, leaping, lathery and half shaved from the chair. "Why, yes," said the barber. "Miss Emma, wasn't it? ried her once upon a time, but we didn't agree very well, and one night I caught her coming out of a hotel with a gentleman to whom I had never been introduced, so I got a divorce." "Good Lord," said the Consul, with an emphasis that shook down two rows of cups and turned the spigot in the hot water tank, "that's what I've come to New York for—to get a di-vorce." At last accounts the Consul, the bar-ber and the barber's best friend were in deep

DRIVEN TO A FORTUNE.

How an Indianapolis Policeman Made Man Rich.

INDIANAPOLIS, October 4.—William J.
Looney, better known as "Billy." died in
Duarte, Cal., Tuesday. Looney left this city
about a dozen years ago under something of a
cloud—it being said he was wanted by the police for participation in a brawl, and scaped from an officer by boarding freight train as he ran through a freight train as he ran through the yards pursued by the officer. He made his way to Kansas City, where he arrived with 7 cents in his pocket. There he entered the saloon business as barkeeper, saved his money, bought a saloon for himself, was elected Alderman and at the time of his death was worth \$150,000. He leaves a wife, but no chifdren. A few months ago while the officer who chased Looney out of Indianapolis was in Kansas City, Looney thanked him heartily for having, as he said, "chased me into a fortune."

Nor Decerly Useless.

From the Chicago Tribune.1 We take pleasure in recording the fact that New York's 400 are not altogether the useless citizens they are popularly supposed to be. One of them, it is claimed, has discovered a sure cure for warts.

In the Sweet Bye and Bye.

From the New York Herald. What a magnificent Republic this will be when Canada applies for admission into the Union. Destiny brings all these little matters about in good time.

An Office Secking a Man.

TRI-STATE TRIPLES.

From the Philadelphia Inquirer ... When the office seeks the man, it seems to have just about as hard a time of it as the man has when he seeks the office. Vide the Pension

AN Erie man had great fun the other day by letting a big cel loose in a crowded store and telling the people to save themselves, as the big rattlesnake had escaped from the dime museum. In the melee a large quantity of goods was hadly damaged, boxes and jars smashed and the floor flooded with molasses. smashed and the noor flooded with molasses. Four ladies fainted. The sel and the practical joker escaped.

A very flerce-looking wildcat is on exhibi A VERY fierce-looking windcat is on exhibition in a Wheeling store window, and it has attracted a great deal of attention owing to its appearance. A man who professed to know all about wildcats went in to examine it the other night, and there was quite a crowd about the window. The animal, which is stuffed, in some way fell from its perch, and the crowd on the outside made a great scatter, while the old hunter, on the inside, came near fainting.

A MONROE county (O.) man raised 1,000 bushels of potatoes on two acres of ground. A LARGE copperhead snake found its way through a Columbia hydrant.

A WILKESBARRE lad of 5 years enjoys a smoke, and has a fondness for a 4-year-old pi of his father's.

THE Carbondale Leader claims that that town, with 12,000 inhabitants, drinks 1,200 kegs of intoxicants in a month.

A PRISONER in the custody of a Lancaste constable was rescued by one of his friends and the officer afterward arrested, the rescue but on the way to jail he, too, made his escape A PENNSTLYANIA exchange speaks of the

CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

-One of the patients in the Insans Hospi Warren, Pa., is William Nye.

-Mr. George W. Tall and Miss Lidie Short were married in Baltimore the other

-An eagle that measured 8 feet with its wings spread out was shot the other day at Rutledge, Ga. The bird was sitting on a pine tree looking at a 6-months' old haby.

-Good news for the bald and gray heads omes from Indianapolis. The water from a new artesian well thereabouts produces new crops of hair and turns gray beards black. -While out walking with his mother at

Canton, Mass. a little son of Charles Summas attacked by a large gray squirrel, wherean up his clothes and severely bit scratched his face. -B. F. Parker, at Blackshear's Will. Laurens county, Gs., has a boy baby 4 months and 14 days old. At 4 months and 10 days he had two teeth, and weighed 27 pounds and could sit alone.

-The annual cost per man in some of the armies of Europe is: £64 in Great Britain, £53 in Austro-Hungary, £45 in Germany, £22.16 in Russia. Switzerland comes at the bottom of the list, with an annual cost of only £7 per

-A physician of Salem, N. J., has a morning glory growing in his yard that is quite a phenomenon, a seed in one of the blooms having sprouted and grown a vine of consider-able length, on the end of which is another

-A large force of men are now at work in Coyocan, south of the City of Mexico, digging for the treasure supposed to have been hidden by Montezuma. They are confident of success, and have already discovered a number of Aster

.- A New York florist says: "It may seem singular, but I've been keeping a record for the 20 years past, and I have found that nine murderers out of ten are ardent admirers of flowers, and most of them prefer daisies and

-Forty tramps went about St. Helena,

Montana, the other day, actually begging for employment. They were put to work in a vineyard the same day, the story goes, but by the next afternoon all excepting three had disappeared from the scene of their brief activities." -The farm of William Blodget, three miles from Ellicottsville, N. Y., has a fine apple orchard, nearly every tree of which is now in bloom for the second time this season. The orchard is on rather low ground and it is thought that the recent wet weather has caused the phenomenon.

-Henry Collum, of Hall county, Ga. has lately made a will leaving all his property to the blind, one-armed and one-logged Confed-erate veterans of Hall and White counties. He is the father of several children, who are thus debarred from any right to his property, which amounts to about \$10,000.

-Green Howell, a 52-year-old negro living near Gainesville, Ga., was as black as the ace of spades 25 years ago. Then two white spots about the size of a nickel appeared upon his skin. They continued to spread until he is now spotted all over and appears likely to become as white as any Caucasian.

-Amos Haynes, of Richmond, Ind., died Wednesday from the effects of bumping his wednesday from the effects of bumping his head in going upstairs. This was Monday night, and nothing was thought of it next day save to laugh at it at the breakfast table. But before noon he was prostrated as by paralysis, including his entire right side. The skull was not fractured, but the physicians say his blood vessels were unnaturally weak and the jar burst one in the brain. -James O'Brien, Jr., of Darien, Ga.

was out in the rain and got thoroughly wet. When he returned he went to his room for the purpose of changing his clothing. After selecting all necessary articles, with the exception of a pair of sock, he pulled open the bettom drawer of the bureau, expecting to find them there, but to his great astonishment upon opening a box, in which he usually kept his ties, he found coiled therein a snake about 25 inches long. been in operation in England for so many years, it is only during the current month that facili-

ties for telegraphing money have been afforded the country. Now in 18 of the largest cities a money order can be telegraphed from or naid -There are many Delilahs, but only one Samson, and he is performing at the Royal Aquarium in London at present, where his Aquarium in London at present, where his feats of strength are certainly of an original and marvelous character. The spectator, as he watches, feels that it is better to be friendly with such a man, for with a blow of his fist he breaks an iron chain that will bear a pressure of 3,000 pounds. With his two hands grasping a short chain of 2,500 pounds ascertained pressure, he makes a momentary effort and pulls the iron chain to bits.

—A remarkable mistake was made at the opening of the Industrial Fair at Toronto. Sir John Macdonald had made his opening speech of congratulation, and before calling upon him to press an electric button starting the machinery, President Withrow invited one or two other speakers to deliver addresses. One of them was Mr. John Leys, M. P. P. for Toronto. He advanced to the front and laid his heavy white hat right on top of the electric button. Instantly there was a sorieking of whistles, and the machinery in the building began to run. The crowd roared with laughter, and after much gesticulation and running about the managers stopped the proceeding, and the machinery was restarted by Sir John and Lady Macdonald.

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—A congress of chemists was held recently in Germany in which several notable scientific diversions were exhibited. One in particular attracted special attention. Dr. Hofmann, of Cologne, gave a short lecture enumerating the difficulties experienced by students in remembering the constitution of organic compounds, and proposed an original method of fixing the formule in their memory. A ballet then commenced, in which the coryphees, drassed in various colors, represented the different atoms. Under the direction of the professor, the atoms grouped themselves in different attitudes, representing the chemical compounds and their reactions. Specially noteworthy were the composition of benzole and aniline and its derivatives. On the formation of fuschine, or any of the coloring matters, brilliant lights illuminated the groups. The representation terminated in the explosion of -A congress of chemists was held recent-

representation terminated in the exp one of the substances. This "excelsio was the crowning event of the evening

FANCIES OF PUNNY MEN. The right man in the right place-the tramp at the woodpile. - Burtington Free Press. There is a great movement on the part of

shall strike. Second Match-I wood. -N. Y. Sun. The woman who carries her handkerchief in her corange should remember the fate of the man in the fable who warmed a wiper in his bosom.

—Terre Haute Express. There are few society belles who have not

And Get Fired .- First Match-I think

record of conquests made with the assistance of mokeless powder. There is nothing new under Young Snifkins passed his sister the pa remarking: "Here's something that may interest you so long as you have determined to ride a

bicycle, "
"What is it?"
"The fall fashions, "-- Washington Capiful, THE DIPLOMATIC MAIDEN. "Dos't love me for my wealth or brains?" He asked the maid with words intense. To which she made this wise reply: I love you, dearest, for your cents.

An Interruption.—"Sixteen years ago, my friends," vociferated the flery Socialist orator, with flashing eye and glesming nose, "I left England and came to this country—"

"Thank the Lord," exclaimed a devout Englishman in the audience with much feeling.—
Chicago Tribuns. McCrackle-Didn't you tell me that Mad-

tox belonged to the better element of society?
McCorkie—Yes.
"Well, I've seen him coming out of gambling places several times."

"Yes; he goes there to bet. That's what I maid."—E. Y. Sun. Bennie-Mamma, do people really buy babies? Mamma-Of course, child; of course. Run out

Beanle (in a brown study)-Then why is it, Bennie (in a brown study)—Then why is it, mamms, that poor people bay more of 'em than anybody else?—Chicago Tribune.

Reassuring.—Guest (angrily)—Confound your awkwardness! You've spilt half that soup down my back.

Waiter at restaurant (heartily)—Don't mind it, atr. I'll bring some more. Bless you, there's plenty of soup.—Chicago Tribune.